



ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

PREFERRED DRUG LIST BY THERAPEUTIC CATEGORY

As a result of legislation passed by the Alabama State Legislature in June 2003, the Alabama Medicaid Agency will use a mandatory Preferred Drug List, effective October 1, 2003. Brand preferred drugs, generics (with the exception of buprenorphine products, carisoprodol products, lansoprazole, lindane, and omeprazole-sodium bicarbonate) and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs covered by Medicaid will be available without prior approval. If a non-preferred drug is ordered, the practitioner will need to obtain prior authorization (PA). If approval is given to dispense the non-preferred drug, an authorization number will be provided. Antipsychotic and HIV/AIDS drugs are exempt from this requirement.

Below is a list of brand preferred products on the PDL. The drug name denotes all dosage forms and strengths unless noted. An asterisk (*) denotes a generic is available in at least one dosage form or strength. All covered OTC drugs and generic products (unless otherwise specified) are considered preferred. For a more complete list including non-preferred brands and more information concerning the PDL, please visit our website at www.medicaid.alabama.gov.

Antihistamines

First Generation

All covered generics and OTCs

Anti-infective Agents

Adamantanes

All covered generics and OTCs

Amebicides

All covered generics and OTCs

Aminoglycosides

All covered generics and OTCs

Anthelmintics

All covered generics and OTCs

Antifungals

Gris-Peg

All covered generics and OTCs

Antimalarials

Daraprim

All covered generics and OTCs

Antituberculosis Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Cephalosporins

All covered generics and OTCs

Chloramphenicol

All covered generics and OTCs

Interferons

Infergen PegIntron

All covered generics and OTCs

Macrolides

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antibacterials

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antimycobacterials

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antiprotozoals

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antivirals

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous β -Lactams

All covered generics and OTCs

Neuraminidase Inhibitors

Relenza[†] Tamiflu[†]

All covered generics and OTCs

Nucleosides and Nucleotides

All covered generics and OTCs

Penicillins

All covered generics and OTCs

Quinolones

All covered generics and OTCs

Sulfonamides

All covered generics and OTCs

Tetracyclines

All covered generics and OTCs

Urinary Anti-infectives

All covered generics and OTCs

Behavioral Health

Alzheimer's Agents

Aricept[†] Aricept ODT[†]

All covered generics and OTCs

Antidepressants

Lexapro

All covered generics and OTCs

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics:

Barbiturates

All covered generics and OTCs

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics:

Benzodiazepines

Diastat[†]

All covered generics and OTCs

Behavioral Health (continued)

Anxiolytics/Sedatives/Hypnotics: Miscellaneous

All covered generics and OTCs

Cerebral Stimulants/Agents for ADD/ADHD-Short and Intermediate Acting

Ritalin^{*} Ritalin-SR^{*}

All covered generics and OTCs

Cerebral Stimulants/Agents for ADD/ADHD-Long Acting

Adderall XR^{*} Focalin XR

Concerta^{*} Vyvanse

Daytrana

All covered generics and OTCs

Cardiovascular Health

ACE Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Alpha-Adrenergic Blocking Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists

All covered generics and OTCs

Antiarrhythmics

All covered generics and OTCs

Beta-Adrenergic Blocking Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Calcium-Channel Blocking Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Cardiotonic Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Central Alpha-Agonists

All covered generics and OTCs

Direct Vasodilators

All covered generics and OTCs

Diuretics

All covered generics and OTCs

Mineralocorticoid (Aldosterone) Receptor Antagonists

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Cardiac Drugs

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Hypotensive Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Nitrates/Nitrites

Nitro-Bid

All covered generics and OTCs

Peripheral Adrenergic Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Platelet-Aggregation Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Renin Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Bile Acid Sequestrants

All covered generics and OTCs

Cholesterol Absorption Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Fibric Acid Derivatives

All covered generics and OTCs

HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antilipemic Agents

Niacor

All covered generics and OTCs

Diabetic Agents

Alpha-Glucosidase Inhibitors

Glyset

All covered generics and OTCs

Amylinomimetics

All covered generics and OTCs

Diabetic Agents (continued)

Biguanides

All covered generics and OTCs

Dipeptidyl Peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

Incretin Mimetics

All covered generics and OTCs

Insulins

Humalog Lantus

All covered generics and OTCs

Meglitinides

Prandin

All covered generics and OTCs

Sulfonylureas

All covered generics and OTCs

Thiazolidinediones

Actos

All covered generics and OTCs

EENT Preparations

Antiallergic Agents

Astepro

All covered generics and OTCs

Antibacterials

Bactroban Nasal Bleph-10^{*}

Blephamide Tobrex^{*}

Blephamide S.O.P.

All covered generics and OTCs

Intranasal Corticosteroids

Beconase AQ Nasonex

All covered generics and OTCs

Vasoconstrictors

Tyzine

All covered generics and OTCs

Gastrointestinal Agents

5-HT₃ Receptor Antagonists

All covered generics and OTCs

Antihistamine Antiemetics

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Antiemetics

All covered generics and OTCs

Proton-Pump Inhibitors

All covered generics and OTCs

(generic lansoprazole and

omeprazole-sodium bicarbonate

require a PA)

Genitourinary Agents

Genitourinary Smooth Muscle Relaxants

Oxytrol

All covered generics and OTCs

Pain Management/Autonomic Agents

Centrally Acting Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

All covered generics and OTCs

(generic carisoprodol products

require a PA)

Direct-Acting Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

All covered generics and OTCs

GABA-Derivative Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

All covered generics and OTCs

Opiate Agonists

All covered generics and OTCs

Opiate Partial Agonists

All covered generics and OTCs

(generic buprenorphine products

require a PA)

Pain Management/Autonomic Agents (continued)

Selective Serotonin Agonists

Maxalt MLT

All covered generics and OTCs

Respiratory

Inhaled Antimuscarinics

Atrovent HFA Spiriva

All covered generics and OTCs

Inhaled Mast-Cell Stabilizers

All covered generics and OTCs

Leukotriene Modifiers

Accolate^{*} Singulair

All covered generics and OTCs

Orally Inhaled Corticosteroids

Advair Diskus Flovent Diskus

Advair HFA Flovent HFA

Asmanex QVAR

Dulera

All covered generics and OTCs

Respiratory Beta-Adrenergic Agonists

Combivent Proventil HFA

Foradil Serevent Diskus

Maxair Autohaler Ventolin HFA

ProAir HFA Xopenex HFA

All covered generics and OTCs

Respiratory Smooth Muscle Relaxants

All covered generics and OTCs

Skin and Mucous Membrane Agents

Antibacterials

All covered generics and OTCs

Antifungals

All covered generics and OTCs

Anti-inflammatory Agents

Capex Shampoo

Derma-Smoother/FS^{*}

All covered generics and OTCs

Antipruritics and Local Anesthetics

All covered generics and OTCs

Antivirals

Zovirax

All covered generics and OTCs

Astringents

All covered generics and OTCs

Keratolytic Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Keratoplastic Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Miscellaneous Local Anti-infectives

pHisoHex

All covered generics and OTCs

Misc Skin and Mucous Membrane Agents

All covered generics and OTCs

Scabicides and Pediculicides

All covered generics and OTCs

(generic lindane requires a PA)

Women's Health

Estrogens

Cenestin Menest

Premarin (tabs only)

All covered generics and OTCs

Prenatal Vitamins

All covered generics and OTCs

[†]The preferred status of this product is contingent upon statewide influenza epidemiology status as reported by the CDC.